y of the reports of ill treatment and ffering among the Americans, and ubt the truth of them. Food and clothing is now being sup-Food and cotting is now being sup-plied to the Americans from a ware-house which has been established by the Red Cross in Berne. Lots of ten posseds are being sent across the border from Switzerkend four times a week. This food is delivered at the camps by the German military authorities. Span-ish agents are super-suing the work of distribution.

Receipts Daily Beturned.

The Red Cross is satisfied that this id is reaching the prisoners, because ide containing receipts for the food ned by the Arbericans in the camps returned to the warehouse in Berne the Spanish agents. Careful examition of the cards has not revealed

y as the food. inspections of the sanitary condition the camps and the physical condition the men are made at regular pe-da and reports submitted by the Span-de through the Spanish Consulate to rin and forwarded to the Red Cross

Beaniards that the Americans have i hawked a round the country or that are being subjected to mistreatment he hands of the civilian population.

Difficulties May Increase.

The Red Criss officials admit that heir task of caring for the men in Germany will be greatly complicated if arge numbers of American prisoners re taken on the lines in France. Plans have been made on a large scale to take are of heavy raids on the American new by the Germans, especially among nen who may be wounded by rifle or hell fire before they are captured. At his time the American primoners number only a few hundreds, while the British and French run into many thousands.

Americans in Germany will be with tremendous difficulty," said official of the Red Cross to-day. "The nited railroad equipment which the ermans could turn over for moving

The German Government, it is said, shown a willingness to turn over the s of feeding the Americans to the Cross, and only small quantities of the have been delivered to the men of German sources since their cap-

AMERICANS MADE **ENEMY PAY DEARLY**

Ground Near Siecheprey Covered With German Dead.

By the Associated Press. WITH THE FRENCH ARMY IN FRANCE, April 21 (delayed).-When an entire erman regiment, reenforced by storm troops, attacked the sector held by rican troops near Seicheprey Gen. Pershing's men fought the most serious engagement they have as yet experienced. The attack was made by a conelderable force and indications show that portant preparations were made for it.

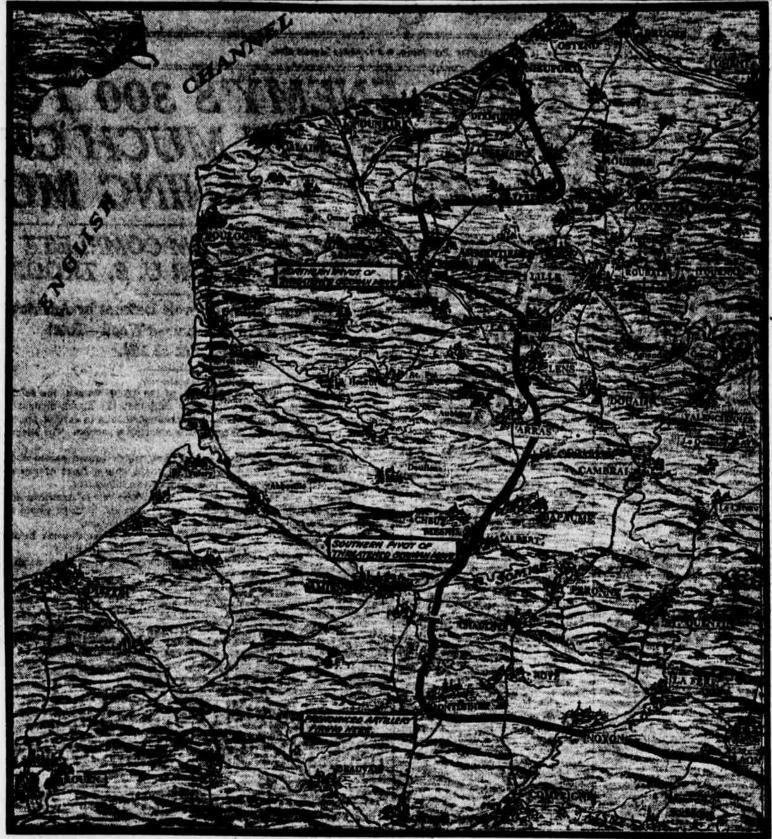
Unusual precautions were taken immediately along the whole sector of the front as soon as the German intention was known. An extremely heavy bestile bombardment with poison gas shells opened during the course of the night and lasted until 5 o'clock in the morning. At that hour the enemy infantry dashed forward, preceded by storm troops which had been brought to the scene especially for the attack after preliminary training on ground similar. inary training on ground similar sector held by the American

yards in length and at several places the enemy succeeded in entenring the American lines. They even entered and occupied Seicheprey, where the Americans holding that position offered the most stubborn defence. Without a moat Seicheprey, the Americans organized with the French a counter attack which was carried out brilliantly, driving the Germans out of the village and taking

The severest encounters occurred in Renneres Wood, where the Germans had taken a firm hold at dawn despite the the counter attack on this section of the line, eventually succeeding in ousting the enemy. The amalgamated troops worked in closest cooperation and by the end of the day were able to score a complete victory and restore their lines as they were before the engagement. In this vicinity many prisoners fell into the hands of the Allies, while the barbed element shall pitted ground was covered. Fire and shell pitted ground was covered

AMERICANS BAG FLIERS.

Loan Rally in 60th's Armory. The Sixty-ninth Regiment Armory was the scene of a stirring Liberty Loan raily last night. Twelve thousand per-sons applauded vociferously when Miss Julia Marlowe recited "Verdun," and the applause was no less when her hus-band, F. H. Sothern, read selections from Alan Heeger's poema. Where Germans Probably Plan to Flank British Salient



THE Germans evidently are beginning preparations to attempt a flanking movement on either side the British salient in Flanders. The British see in the preparations a strong effort to envelop Arras. The new attacks apparently will be pivoted on the Lys and north of Albert, probably at Robecq and Mesnil.

Meantime the enemy is keeping a desultory fire playing upon the lines at various other sections, the bombardment first assuming great intensity, at one place, then shifting to another sector, the idea undoubtedly being to keep Gen. Foch guessing as to where the blows may fall and compel the Allies to deploy their men over practically the whole long battle line.

COUNT CZERNIN WILL HEROISM IS SHOWN

Office Was in Prospect When He Gave Up Post of For-

WASHINGTON, April 22 .- Count Czerceived from France to-day, is to be appointed Ambassador to Berlin. Quoting at night. One officer is said to have carried his precious load forty miles a telegram from Zurich the despatch Several did so for twenty-five or thirty. taken a firm hold at dawn despite the most strenuous defence by small bodies of Americans stationed there. The Emperor Charles in his last letter to wounded and the marching that on the French and American troops joined in Count Czernin informed him that it long hikes they would sway about like the counter attack on this section of the would not be long before he received a drunken men. The casualities among them were heavy beavier in the long that the long them were heavy beavier in the long them.

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Louisiana Senator Named. Baton Rouge, La., April 22.—Walter Guion of Napoleonville, La., was named by Gov. Pleasant to-day to fill the un-expired term of the late Senator Brous-

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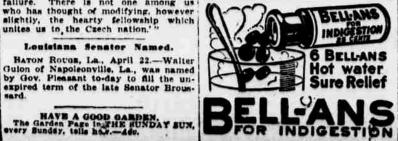
things as sterilizing plants, bedding and iron beds and similar paraphernalia ould not be taken.
It is believed all the surgical instrunin, according to an official despatch re-ments were saved. Officers in several instances put them off along the roads

Emperor Charles in his last letter to Count Czernin informed him that it would not be long before he received a new poat.

The present Ambassador is Prince von Hohnelohe, who recently was summoned to Vienna and whose unexpected feture gave occasion to many comments.

Baron Burian will hold the office of Foreign Minister for a short time only another despatch said. It quoted a semi-official note issued in Vienna as follows:

"Baron Burian considers it his chief of Foreign Minister for a short time only in the statement last most completed and consequently unless he is compelled to subdue the internal struggles, and consequently unless he is compelled to subdue the internal struggles, and consequently unless he is compelled to subdue the internal struggles, and consequently unless he is compelled to subdue the internal struggles, and consequently unless he is compelled to subdue the internal struggles, and consequently unless he is compelled to subdue the internal struggles, and consequently unless he is compelled to subdue the internal struggles, and consequently unless he is compelled to subdue the internal struggles. The subdue the internal struggles and consequently unless he is compelled to subdue the internal struggles. The subdue the internal struggles and consequently unless he is compelled to subdue the internal struggles. The subdue the internal struggles and consequently unless he is compelled to subdue the internal struggles. The subdue the internal struggles and consequently unless he is compelled to subdue the internal struggles. The subdue the internal struggles and consequently unless he is compelled to subdue the internal struggles. The subdue the internal struggles are subdue to the Somme and was buried that his newspaper would be printed in English if the Government, Says to repaid to the first the



and Givenchy and west thereof on April 17 and 18 it is certain the Germans lost heavily. Apart from what we know of

heavily. Apart from what we know of this by our own knowledge we have the testimony of prisoners and documents. We learn from the regimental rolls that the Twenty-second Regiment of the 117th Division was reduced from full strength to 250 men. Captured officers of the Twelfth Division say it was impossible to advance against our artillery and machine gun fire. The Twenty-seccarried away. Only some such heavy ond Division suffered even more severely. Of the 103d Regiment of the Thirty-

in Air Fights. second Division all three battalions were put in and were smashed to pieces. One British officer said yesterday he had fired 300 rounds from a rifle and knew he had killed or hit that many Germans, as it was impossible to miss. How many By PERRY ROBINSON.

RIDDER HITS FOES

extra he might have got he did not

KILLED BY BRITISH

Leader of German "Flying Circus" Claimed 80 Victories

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London Times. Copyright, 1218; all rights reserved. BRITISH ARMY HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, April 22.-Yesterday's German

Wool can be bought from us for knitting garments for men in the service, and though we urgently request that finished garments be returned to us for distribution, we do not insist upon this being done. Best Gray, White & Natural Wool, 70c a hank; in 5 lb. lcts, \$2.75 a lb. Best Khaki Wool 75c " 2.85 "

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BRITISH CRITICS HIT **GOVERNMENT HARD**

Demand Men Whose Business Is War Shall Manage Campaign in France.

"ARMY STABBED IN BACK"

Gen. Trenchard's Retirement From Air Service Is Text for Bitter Attacks.

certain newspapers, particularly those which claim to represent the views of the military leaders, insisting that the war of a fair way to be lost by reason of strength on the western front was taken the domination of the politicians, is inreasing in bitterness.

The latest argument they have raised to prove that the present Government is hopeleesly muddling the direction of the war is the change that has just taken place in the air service, where Gen. Sir The latest argument they have raised place in the air service, where Gen. Sir Hugh Trenchard has relinquished the post of chief of staff after a difference with Lord Rothermere, Minister for the

The Star, which has been bitterly op-posing the Government policy, publishes the following balance of the account "between Lloyd George and the best soldiers and sallors we have": Creditor. Lords Rothermere, Beaverbrook, North cliffe; debtor, Admiral Jellicoe and Gens. Robertson and Trenchard. The Star adds that it is clear that no ability, service, record of achievement or char-acter is safe in the hands of "the camarilla which stabs the army while it is fighting with its back to the wall."

Lloyd George Is Attacked.

Statements relative to the strength of the opposing armies on the western front also are used as a club with which to attack the Government. Premier Lloyd George's statement of April 9 that when the present battle began the whole German army on the westers of the Allies is contrasted with more recent statements as to the great numeri-cal superiority of the Germans, and it is being asked whether Britain is short of

army and navy and it is asked, if there is not an abundance of troops for the vital field, where are these men. Lieut. Col. Charles A. Repington's statement that there are only 1.500,000 white men in the western war theatres and the assertion of James Douglas that there are 500,000 slackers in uniform—per-sons curiously immune from the perils of the trenches—are being reprinted and mmented upon.

It is recalled that Winston Churchill, Minister of Munitions in the fact that the greatest waste of manpower has been in the srmy itself, through the diversion of forces to distant fields of action against the advice of the military and naval leaders, several of military and naval leaders, several of the military of the entire military command not only of the whole resources of the military and nation of to the idea that the Germans were to be fought and beaten where they could be got at, in the northern Baltic and on the day. They are the real rulers of Germans were took to send so many ment and the day.

The Morning Post and the Globe, which have been championing the cause of military service against what they term the "fatuous policy of amateur gest to his Majesty that he forthwise trategists and the old game of the poli-call as chief advisers on military matically as the policy of amateur gest to his Majesty that he forthwise the final made was the morning trategists and the old game of the poli-call as chief advisers on military matically as the probably is in furtherance of their plant to the King to assert him-probably is in furtherance of their plant to the King to assert him-probably is in furtherance of their plant to the King to assert him-probably is in furtherance of their plant to the King to assert him-probably is in furtherance of their plant to the King to assert him-probably is in furtherance of their plant to the King to assert him-probably is in furtherance of their plant to the King to assert him-probably is in furtherance of their plant to the King to assert him-probably is in furtherance of their plant to the King to assert him-probably is in furtherance of their plant to the King to assert him-probably is in furtherance of their plant to the King to assert him-probably is in furtherance of their plant to the King to assert him-probably is in furtherance of their plant to the King to assert him-probably is in furtherance of their plant to the King to assert him-probably is in furtherance of their plant to the King to assert him-probably is in furtherance of their plant to the King to assert him-probably is in furtherance of their plant to the King to assert him-probably is in furtherance of their plant to the King to assert him-probably is in furtherance of their plant to the King to assert him-probably is in furtherance of their plant to assert him-probably is in furtherance of their plant to the King to assert him-probably is in furtherance of their plant to assert him-probably is in furtherance of their plant to assert him-probably is in furtherance of their plant to assert him-probably

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away, despite the constant and urgent representations of the high command and then, when events betail which the

paper says:
"If this country is to achieve victor; there must be a change. It is no use to bring new members into the War Cabinet and dispose of others. The cabinet and dispose of others. The change we contemplate involves much more than the replacement of the Prime Minister. The system is wrong. It has been tried at most frightful cost and has been found wanting.

What is wanted is not a War Cabinet consisting of twenty-one or six or any number of civilians. Those whose business was a strength with the change of the contemplate of the contempl

fless is war should be entrusted with the conduct of the war. Under the presidency of the Prime Minister the War Cabinet should consist of the Prime Min ister, the Secretary for War, the Chief of the Imperial Staff, the First Lord of the Admiralty and the First Sea Lord.
It should be concerned solely with the
war and with nothing else.
"The civil administration of the coun

try should be conducted by a second cabinet, also under the direction of the Prime Minister.

Best Brains Now Called For. The Globe says there is no use trying to disguise the fact that the present system of Government has reached an

being asked whether Britain is short of men and how that shortage is accounted for.

It is pointed out that Sir Auckland Geddes, Minister of National Service, announced that the British common-wealth had raised 7,500,000 men for the army and navy and it is asked, if there is not an abundance of troops for the vital field where are these men. Lieut.

and who still are intent upon playing their old game.

'They mean to control the strategy of the war in so far as they have not surrendered it to Foch. They have removed Robertson, Jellicoe, Trenchardin short, they have handlospped and hindered the proper working of the war machine in all three directions, and it is time to call a halt.

time to call a halt.
"The question now arises how this

got at, in the northern Baltic and on the many. There is but one course to be west front. To send so many men elsewhere, it is argued, was a great mistake, followed if we mean to win the war. The politicians must go and the men who know the business of war must be the course to be many. There is but one course to be many. There is but one course to be many.

with such others as they may recom-mend. One or two big men of business might be added, with a sprinkling of politicians to carry on the civil administration. Let these constitute a com-mittee of safety for the duration of the war and let all power connected there-with be entrusted to their hands."

BOLSHEVIKI FIRE ON N. Y. BANKERS

English Engineer Describes Holdup in Siberia.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 22.—A special train carrying Englishmen and Americans, among whom were officials of the International Harvester Company and the National City Bank of New Tork, on "safe conduct" from Moscow, was fired upon by Bolshevik soldiers, according to John Philip, an English engineer here to-day from Russia.

The train was held up at a station near the Siberian border, Philip said, and the soldiers guarding the train

and the soldiers guarding the train were ordered to turn their uniforms and rifles over to the Red Guards. When they refused a machine gun was turne against the train.

NEW FIGHTING IN MACEDONIA

All Engaged. PARIS, April 22.-- A marked increase in the fighting on the eastern European front is reported to-night, at least three of the allied nations having troops engaged. A French official report says

of this fighting: The allied troops carried out numerous destructive fires and raids with success, particularly south of Doiran, where a British detackment penetrated the enemy positions and brought back prisoners. In the region of Vetrenik a Serbian detachment ment captured an important enemy work and maintained their occupa-tion there despite a violent reaction by the Bulgarians.

On the other hand, at the Cerna bend, an enemy attack on advanced bend, an enemy attack on advanced poets in the Italian sector was repulsed. An enemy machine was brought down by a British aviator northeast of Petritch.

NEW STEP IN BELGIUM DIVISION

Separate Pinancial Accounting for Flemish and Walloon Districts.

AMSTERDAM, April 22.-The Volksteitwag of Cologne says the German authorities in Belgium have issued a decree directing that the finances of the Flemish and Walloon districts shall be adminis-

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